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In re Application of

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ARNOLDUS J. BOUDEWIJNS ET AL

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AFFIDAVIT UNDER 37 CFR 1.47 - PROOF OF UNAVAILABILITY OF NONSIGNING INVENTOR

Sir:

I, Dan J. Piotrowski, being duly sworn, depose and state: I am an Attorney of Record of the above-identified patent application. The inventors of above-identified patent application are Arnoldus Boudewijns and Hendrikus Van Den Berg, both of Eindhoven, The Netherlands. At the time the invention recited in the above-identified patent application was conceived the inventors were employed as engineers by Philips Electronics in Eindhoven, The Netherlands. On behalf of himself, Hendrikus Van Den Berg, and on behalf of the joint inventor who cannot be reached, Arnoldus Boudewijns, enclosed herewith is a signed Declaration. The last known address of the nonsigning joint inventor is as stated on the enclosed Declaration. The facts and circumstances surrounding the available applicant's diligent effort and proof that the nonsigning inventor cannot be reached are as follows: On numerous occasions I instructed my assistant, Noemi Chapa, to contact an associate, Jacqueline Lanslot, located in Eindhoven, The Netherlands to obtain a signed declaration of Arnoldus Boudewijns. Jacqueline Lanslot is an employee of Philips Electronics as an Application Filing Section person,

where she is responsible for obtaining such declarations from inventors. Enclosed are copies of documentary evidence of such instructions that support a finding that the nonsigning inventor could not be reached. Upon information and belief, Arnoldus Boudewijns suffers from a long time illness. Upon information and belief, Jacqueline Lanslot has made repeated attempts to obtain a signed declaration from Arnoldus Boudewijns throughout the Convention year.

Date:

Respectfully submitted,

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